

Hoyt, Samuel Pierce, Mill
At end of access lane 1 1/2 miles west from
U.S. Route 189
Hoytsville
Summit County
Utah

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Historic American Buildings Survey
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SAMUEL PIERCE HOYT MILL

Location: At end of access lane 1 1/2 miles west from U.S. Route 189. Hoytsville, Summit County, Utah.
Property described as follows: "Beginning at Southwest corner of S.E. 1/4 Section 28 Township 2 N, Range 5 East, Salt Lake City survey, thence North 4.7 chains, East 9.935 Chains, South 8 09' East 4.66 chains, West 10.61 chains, to beginning, containing 5 acres with right of way."
Latitude: 40° 52' 24" N Longitude: 111° 23' 10" W.

Present Owner: Mr. & Mrs. George C. Crittenden

Present Occupant: Owners

Present Use: Not in use

Statement of Significance: On same property as the Samuel Pierce Hoyt House-- an extremely handsome example of a country mansion, belonging to one of the early pioneers of a settlement which bears his name.

PART I. HISTORICAL INFORMATION

A. Physical History:

I. Original and subsequent owners:

C. Emma Burbridge to Samuel P. Hoyt (March 17, 1885)
3rd District Court, Summit County to Mary H. Lee et al decree to Mary H. Lee and Elizabeth Hoyt family (June 22, 1897)
Mary H. Lee to Fay W. Lee (April 20, 1955)
Fay W. Lee to Eugene Ralph et ux (June 9, 1955)
Mary Lucile Ralph to George C. and Luella Crittenden (February 29, 1958)

2. Date of erection: 1862

3. Architect-BUILDER: Samuel P. Hoyt

B. Historical Events and Persons Associated with the Building:

Samuel Pierce Hoyt was born on November 21, 1807 in Chester, New Hampshire. In 1834 he married Emily Smith, cousin to the founder of the Mormon Church, Joseph Smith. It was through his wife that he converted to the Mormon faith. On March 1, 1851 he joined an emigrant company under the

leadership of Captain John Brown departing for Utah. The company arrived in Utah September 29, 1851. He was then called to join a party under Anson Call to settle the area now known as Fillmore, Utah, where he arrived in November, 1851. He was placed in charge of construction of Utah's first territorial Capitol there in 1852 to 1854. In 1861 Hoyt moved north to the Weber River to build a mill upon advice from Brigham Young, on the site now known as Hoytsville. He completed his grist mill in 1862 and in the spring of the following year journeyed to Missiori to secure machinery. Shortly after his return he commenced work on his mansion, northwest of the grist mill.

PART II. ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

A. General Statement:

1. Architectural interest: This exemplified the simple industrial structures of the frontier economy.
2. Condition of fabric: Poor - only some walls standing.

B. Description of Exterior:

1. Over-all dimensions: This was a simple rectangular structure 25' 6" x 38' 6".
2. Foundations: Stone
3. Wall construction, finish, and color: Sandstone, random ashlar, sandy gray color.
4. Structural system, framing: Timber roof assembly on stone bearing walls.
5. Openings: Doorways and doors: Large doorway facing west. Doors missing.

Windows and shutters: One window facing west, one facing south.

6. Roof:

- A. Shape, covering: Collapsed, was timber with plank sheathing and wood shingles.

C. Description of Interior:

1. Floor plans: Single room open plan.
2. Flooring: Earth
3. Wall and ceiling finish: Stone walls; exposed wood structure roof and ceiling.

D. Site and Surroundings:

1. Orientation: Generally north - south along long axis. Building is located to the southeast of the residence.
2. Landscaping and walks, enclosures: None

Prepared by John L. Giusti
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PART III. PROJECT INFORMATION

This record is part of a Utah Survey conducted in the summers of 1967 and 1968 under joint sponsorship of the Historic American Buildings Survey of the Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation of the National Park Service and the Utah Heritage Foundation.

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Student Assistant Architects on the 1967 team were Robert M. Swanson and Charles W. Barrow, (University of Texas) and Kenneth L. Lambert and Keith Sorenson, (University of Utah). 1968 Student Assistant Architects were Keith Sorenson, Charles D. Harker and Robert Schriever, (University of Utah) and Donald G. Prycer, (Texas A. & M. University).